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Utah County Mine Sites - Manning S/49/0036 and Black Shale S/49/0003

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Hi John.

I was doing a compliance review of some of your sites today. Here's what I have found:

Manning Canyon

We have an outstanding directive for Interstate to provide additional bond for the Manning Canyon pit. The letter dated 5/7/2014 says the bond needs to be upped from \$18,600 - \$28,000. However, this increase is based on the mine being permitted for 5 acres. I was looking at some aerials and have calculated your disturbance as only being 3 acres. If that is verified, then the 18,600 is enough bond to cover you, as long as you do not expand over 3 acres.

I do need some type of response from you to the letter. Your options are 1. you can either keep the mine permitted for 5 acres and provide the bond increase; or 2. you could verify on the ground that you are at 3 acres and do not plan to expand. Then you'll have to submit an amendment to your plan to change the acreage from 5 down to 3. No extra bond would then be required.

Black Shale - Small Mine permit S/49/003

Some good news for you (I hope) on this one. I am assuming all acreage for this permit has been incorporated into the large mine. Am I correct on that? If it is, we should retire this permit. You have a \$25,000 bond on the small mine permit. You should apply for bond release on this one since the large mine permit bond should now cover the same area. Also, if we retire the file, you will not have to pay permit fees on it. As of right now, you are being charged yearly permit fees which essentially means you are being charged double, for both the small mine and the large mine permit. There's no point in that right?

I would have called you to explain all this but I figured it was easier for me to get it all captured in an email. Please call me after you get this and we can discuss the options.

Thanks John.

Regards, April

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